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Contract

## **Land-Climate Research Programme**

Department for Energy Security and Net Zero

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-03d4fb

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### **Section I: Contracting authority**

#### **I.1) Name and addresses**

Department for Energy Security and Net Zero

3-8 Whitehall Place

London

#### **Email**

[sidscienceteam@energysecurity.gov.uk](mailto:sidscienceteam@energysecurity.gov.uk)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UK - United Kingdom

#### **Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-for-energy-security-and-net->

[zero](#)

#### **I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

#### **I.5) Main activity**

General public services

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## **Section II: Object**

### **II.1) Scope of the procurement**

#### **II.1.1) Title**

Land-Climate Research Programme

#### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 73110000 - Research services

#### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

#### **II.1.4) Short description**

This research programme aims to develop a deeper, more granular understanding of the potential for climate mitigation options, considering specific net zero targets and top-down assumptions of the contribution of land to climate change mitigation. Building on previous work, the project will synthesis evidence and analysis to identify the contributions of different land use scenarios to Net Zero targets, taking account of current and future policy commitments spanning but limited to: climate mitigation, energy production, agriculture, biodiversity and the natural environment. It will consider the risks, co-benefits and trade-offs across a variety of spatial scales so that a holistic approach can be taken and targeted interventions can be designed with maximum impact.

#### **II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: No

#### **II.1.7) Total value of the procurement (excluding VAT)**

Value excluding VAT: £1,799,708.08

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

This research programme aims to build upon previous research to develop a deeper, more granular understanding of the potential for climate mitigation options in land use and agriculture, considering specific net zero targets and top-down assumptions. Using the updated evidence base, the project will aim to provide an updated assessment of the mitigation potential of land-based options, their resilience to climate change, and trade-offs with environmental variables and biodiversity. The work will deliver a set of plausible scenarios which will inform decisions around the setting of Carbon Budget 7 and future policies.

This work builds on a scoping study which ran from July 2022 to March 2023 to establish the current state of evidence in this area, and gaps which need to be filled to deliver comprehensive analysis of the contribution land can make to meeting net-zero. The research will be broad ranging and include, for example, developing more spatially detailed information on land use options for climate mitigation across England and the Devolved Administrations (DAs) alongside consideration of other land use pressures. The project will feed into and complement the longer-term UKRI Land Use for Net Zero research call.

### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Price

### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: No

### **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

### **IV.1) Description**

#### **IV.1.1) Type of procedure**

Open procedure

#### **IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)**

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

### **IV.2) Administrative information**

#### **IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure**

Notice number: [2023/S 000-016391](#)

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## **Section V. Award of contract**

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### **V.2) Award of contract**

#### **V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract**

31 October 2023

#### **V.2.2) Information about tenders**

Number of tenders received: 2

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 2

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: Yes

#### **V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**

UK Centre for Ecology and Hydrology

Maclean Building Benson Lane, Crowmarsh Gifford

Wallingford, Oxfordshire

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

No

#### **V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**

Eunomia Research & Consulting

37 Queen Square

Bristol

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

Yes

**V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**

University of Exeter

Northcote House, The Queen's Drive

Exeter

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

No

**V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**

The Met Office

Fitzroy Road

Exeter

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

No

**V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**

Forest Research

620 Bristol Business Park, Coldharbour Lane

Bristol

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

No

**V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot (excluding VAT)**

Total value of the contract/lot: £1,799,708.08

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.4) Procedures for review**

#### **VI.4.1) Review body**

Department for Energy Security and Net Zero

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